Task Force on the Economic Future of Western Maryland – 2021 Legislative Session Tracker

Rec#	Recommendation	Status in the 2021 Legislative Session
1	The Creation of the Western Maryland Economic Future Investment Fund (WMEFIF)	SB 803/HB 1144. SB 803 passed Senate, both bills stalled in the House Ways and Means Committee
2	Revisions to the Maryland Innovation Initiative	SB 802/HB 1169. SB 802 stalled in the Senate Finance Committee and HB 1169 stalled in the House Ways and Means Committee.
3	Enhancements to the Maryland E- Nnovation Initiative Fund	
4	Public Private Partnerships on State Land	
5	Turn State-Owned Land Over to Counties for Economic Development	
6	Allocate Additional Funding to Maintain State-Owned Lakes	SB 618/HB 833. SB 618 stalled in the Senate Budget and Taxation Committee and HB 833 stalled in the House Environment and Transportation Committee.
7	Support Enactment of the Maryland Technology Infrastructure Pilot Program	SB 709/ HB 892. HB 892 passed the House, both bills stalled in the Senate Finance Committee.
8	TEDCO's Rural Business Innovation Initiative (RBII)	
9	Support Tax Credits and Programs Designed to Allow Maryland's Tourism Industry to Recover from COVID-19	SB 730/ HB 1176. SB 730 stalled in the Senate Budget and Taxation Committee and HB 1176 stalled in the House Ways and Means Committee.
10	Support Tax Credits That Encourage Additional Market-Rate Housing in Western Maryland	
11	Support Small Business Participation in Association Health Plans	SB 621/HB 634. SB 621 stalled in the Senate Finance Committee and HB 634 stalled in the House Health and Government Operations Committee.
12	Redefine the Meaning of Qualifying Biomass and a Thermal Biomass System	SB 549/HB 682. HB 682 was referred to an interim summer study. SB 549 was stalled in the Senate Finance Committee
13	Encourage the State of Maryland to Identify Priority Trail System Opportunities for Advancement in Western Maryland	
14	A Bill to Extend the Activities of the Task Force on the Economic Future of Western Maryland	SB 678/HB 884. Passed and was signed into law. Reporting date extended to October 1, 2021.